Nebraska Information Technology Commission
Advisory Group Membership Information
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Community Council

Membership Selection Process (statutory, charter, or combination)

Charter.

Appropriate Statutes, Charters

N.R.S. § 86-516: Commission; duties. (7) Establish ad hoc technical advisory groups to study and make recommendations on specific topics, including workgroups to establish, coordinate, and prioritize needs for education, local communities, intergovernmental data communications, and state agencies.

Charter: http://www.nitc.ne.gov/cc/cccharterapprovedSept182007.pdf

Membership Criteria

Membership includes representatives from rural/community IT development, local government and libraries, resource providers, and other groups as deemed appropriate by the NITC. The number of members shall be between 18 and 24. The Council recruits members by asking members for their recommendations and by asking related Nebraska associations.   The League of Nebraska Municipalities and the Nebraska Library Association have recommended members.

Membership Approval Process

NITC approval.

Current Membership/Vacancies

Rod Armstrong, AIM Institute
Jason Barelman, Wayne State College
Linda Fettig, Rural Development Commission
Norene Fitzgerald, Economic Development Professional
Darla Heggem, Twin Cities Development, Scottsbluff-Gering
Joan Modrell, Department of Labor
Tim O'Brien, Nebraska Department Economic Development
Dan Shundoff, Intellicom
Gerry Vap, Nebraska Public Service Commission
Dean Folkers, Department of Education
John Jordison, Great Plains Communication
Matthew R. Williams, Kearney Public Library

Roger Hahn, Nebraska Information Network
Chris Anderson, City of Central City
Lynn Manhart, Central City Public Library
Matthew R. Williams, Kearney Public Library
Gerry Vap, Nebraska Public Service Commission

One to seven vacant positions; emphasis for filling vacancies will be on libraries or local government.

Education Council

Membership Selection Process (statutory, charter, or combination)

Charter.

Appropriate Statutes, Charters

N.R.S. § 86-516: Commission; duties. (7) Establish ad hoc technical advisory groups to study and make recommendations on specific topics, including workgroups to establish, coordinate, and prioritize needs for education, local communities, intergovernmental data communications, and state agencies.

Charter: http://www.nitc.ne.gov/ec/documents/ECcharter_20080128.pdf

Membership Criteria

Membership for voting members and alternates comes from professional associations. Ex-officio liaisons from the Department of Education, Administrative Services, Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission, and Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education also participate.

Membership Approval Process

Members are nominated by the executive officers of the respective professional associations, forwarded by the Education Council, and approved by the NITC. Members choose their own voting alternates and then inform the NITC Administrative Services Manager.

Current Members/Vacancies

Each June 30, the two-year overlapping membership terms of eight (four from K-12, four from higher education) of the 16 members expire and must be renewed or replaced.

Arnold Bateman, University of Nebraska
Clark Chandler, Nebraska Wesleyan University
Michael Chipps, Mid-Plains Community College
Eileen Ely, Western Nebraska Community College
Ed Hoffman, Nebraska State College System

Yvette Holly, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Chuck Lenosky, Creighton University
Dennis Linster, Wayne State College
Ron Cone, Educational Service Unit 10
Kent Gydesen, Lexington Public Schools
Terry Haack, Bennington Public Schools
Stephen Hamersky, Gross Catholic High School
Leonard Hartman, Alliance High School
Jeff Johnson, Centennial Public Schools
Craig Pease, Ashland-Greenwood Public Schools
Bob Uhing, Educational Service Unit 1
Marshall Hill, Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education
Mike Kozak, Department of Education
Brenda Decker, Chief Information Officer
Michael Winkle, Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission

No current vacancies.

eHealth Council

Membership Selection Process (statutory, charter, or combination)

Charter.

Appropriate Statutes, Charters

N.R.S. § 86-516 Commission; duties. (7) Establish ad hoc technical advisory groups to study and make recommendations on specific topics, including workgroups to establish, coordinate, and prioritize needs for education, local communities, intergovernmental data communications, and state agencies.

Charter: http://www.nitc.ne.gov/eHc/eHealthcharterapprovedJune2007.pdf

Membership Criteria

The charter states that the following focus areas will be represented within the eHealth Council:
- The State of Nebraska
- Health care providers
- eHealth initiatives
- Public health
- Third party payers and employers
- Consumers
- Resource providers, experts, and others if deemed appropriate by the NITC

The charter limits the number of members to no more than 25.   The Nebraska Hospital Association, Nebraska Medical Association, Nebraska Pharmacist Association, Nebraska Health

Care Association, and the Nebraska Health Care Association nominated members to represent health care providers.

Membership Approval Process

NITC approval.

Current Membership/Vacancies

Steve Henderson, Office of the CIO
Senator Annette Dubas, Nebraska Legislature
Dennis Berens, Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Rural Health
Congressman Jeff Fortenberry, represented by Marie Woodhead
Daniel Griess, Box Butte General Hospital, Alliance
Dr. Delane Wycoff, Pathology Services, PC
Dr. Harris A. Frankel (alternate)
Joni Cover, Nebraska Pharmacists Association
September Stone, Nebraska Health Care Association
John Roberts, Nebraska Rural Health Association
Donna Hammack, Nebraska Statewide Telehealth Network and St. Elizabeth Foundation
Ken Lawonn, NeHII and Alegent Health
Harold Krueger, Western Nebraska Health Information Exchange and Chadron Community Hospital
Wende Baker, Southeast Nebraska Behavioral Health Information Network and Region V Systems
David Lawton, Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Assurance
Jeff Kuhr, Three Rivers Public Health Department, Fremont
Kay Oestmann, Southeast District Health Department
Dr. Keith Mueller, UNMC College of Public Health
Susan Courtney, Blue Cross Blue Shield
Vivianne Chaumont, Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medicaid and Long Term Care
Nancy Shank, Public Policy Center
Alice Henneman, University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension in Lancaster County
Joyce Beck, Thayer County Health Services
Kimberly Galt, Creighton University School of Pharmacy and Health Professions

2 vacant positions – one representing Payers and Employers, one representing Consumers.

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Geographic Information Systems Council

Member Selection Process (statutory, charter, or combination)

Combination of statute and charter.

Appropriate statutes, charters

N.R.S. §86-569 through § 86-573: Geographic Information Systems Council; created; members; appointment; terms; expenses

N.R.S. § 86-516 Commission; duties. (7) Establish ad hoc technical advisory groups to study and make recommendations on specific topics, including workgroups to establish, coordinate, and prioritize needs for education, local communities, intergovernmental data communications, and state agencies.

Charter: http://www.nitc.ne.gov/gisc/about/NITC_GIS_Council_Charter_6-18-08.pdf

Membership Criteria

By statute:
- State agency directors or designees from Office of the CIO, Environmental Quality, Health and Human Services, University of Nebraska, Natural Resources, Policy Research, Roads, State Surveyor, Legislature, Game and Parks, and Property Tax.
- 4 members representing specified public sectors (federal agencies, Natural Resources Districts, public power districts, and League of Municipalities)
- 4 members, two representing the Nebraska Association of County Officials and two at-large members;
- Such other members as nominated by the Nebraska Information Technology Commission and appointed by the Governor.

By NITC Charter:
- State agency directors or designees from Public Service Commission and NEMA/Military.
- 3 members representing specified sectors (GIS professional association, Omaha metro area, and Lincoln metro area)
- 0-2 at-large members as necessary to provide regional geographic and/or other key sectors of representation

Membership Approval Process

Some defined in statute; others appointed by the Governor, some upon recommendation from specific sector(s) and/or the NITC.

Current Membership/Vacancies

Michael Schonlau, Douglas County/City of Omaha
Jeff McReynolds, Lincoln
Steve Henderson, Office of the CIO
Lash Chaffin, League of Nebraska Municipalities
Jack Dohrman, Legislature
Timothy Cielocha, Nebraska Public Power District
John Miyoshi, Lower Platte North NRD
Karis Bowen, Health and Human Services
Steve Cobb, State Surveyor
Jeremy Hosien, Policy Research Office
Bill Wehling, Roads
Les Howard, University of Nebraska

Paul Yamamoto, Environmental Quality
Ruth Sorenson, Property Tax/Revenue
Josh Lear, Natural Resources
Chad Boshart, NEMA/Military
Sudhir Ponnappan, Game and Parks Commission
James Langtry, USGS Laiason for Nebraska
Eric Herbert, Sarpy County
Paul Mullen, Metropolitan Area Planning Agency
Mike Preston, Private Sector
Mike Hybl, Public Service Commission

Two to four vacant positions – one representing NACO, one at-large, and up to two additional charter-defined at large members to achieve geographic representation.

State Government Council

Membership Selection Process (statutory, charter, or combination)

Charter.

Appropriate Statutes, Charters

N.R.S. § 86-516: Commission; duties. (7) Establish ad hoc technical advisory groups to study and make recommendations on specific topics, including workgroups to establish, coordinate, and prioritize needs for education, local communities, intergovernmental data communications, and state agencies.

Charter: http://www.nitc.ne.gov/sgc/documents/charter.pdf

Membership Criteria

Members are agency directors or designees from specified agencies and state IT professionals. One member represents non-code agencies; two members represent the general public.

Membership Approval Process

The charter spells out specific agency membership. The ex-officio member is appointed by the Legislative Fiscal Office (per the charter). The non-code and general public representatives are approved by the Commission.

Current Membership/Vacancies

Carlos Castillo, Administrative Services
John Munn, Banking
Robin Spindler, Corrections
Michael Behm, Crime Commission
Dennis Burling, Environmental Quality
Jeremy Hosein, Policy Research Office

Jim Ohmberger, Health and Human Services
Catherine Lang, Labor
Beverly Neth, Motor Vehicles
Rex Gittins, Natural Resources
Douglas Ewald, Revenue
Bill Wehling, Roads
Bryan Tuma, State Patrol
Brenda Decker, Chief Information Officer
Jayne Scofield, Office of the CIO – Network Services
Bob Beecham, Education
John Gale, Secretary of State
Gerry Oligmueller, State Budget Administrator
Janice Walker, State Court Administrator
Glenn Morton, Workers' Compensation Court
Rod Wagner, Library Commission
Pat Flanagan, private sector/general public
Dorest Harvey, private sector/general public
Mike Calvert, Legislative Fiscal Office

One vacant position due to a vacant designated office (as identified in the charter).

Technical Panel

Member Selection Process (statutory, charter, or combination)

Combination of statute and charter.

Appropriate Statutes, Charters

N.R.S. § 86-521: (1) A technical panel is created. The technical panel shall be comprised of one representative from the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission, one representative from the office of Chief Information Officer, one representative from the University of Nebraska Computing Services Network, and such other members as specified by the Nebraska Information Technology Commission. (2) The technical panel shall review any technology project presented to the Nebraska Information Technology Commission including any recommendations by working groups established under sections 86-512 to 86-524. Upon the conclusion of the review of a technology project or request for additional funding, the technical panel shall provide its analysis to the commission. The technical panel may recommend technical standards and guidelines to be considered for adoption by the commission.

Charter: http://www.nitc.ne.gov/tp/documents/tpcharter.pdf

Membership Criteria

N.R.S. § 86-521(1): The technical panel shall be comprised of one representative from the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission, one representative from the office of Chief Information Officer, one representative from the University of Nebraska Computing

Services Network, and such other members as specified by the Nebraska Information Technology Commission."

By charter, the NITC as added one member with expertise in assistive technology, as recommended by the CIO of the University of Nebraska and the CIO of the State of Nebraska, and one member representing K-12 education as recommended by the Education Council.

Membership Approval Process

NITC approval.

Current Membership/Vacancies

Brenda Decker, Chief Information Officer
Christy Horn, University of Nebraska
Kirk Langer, Lincoln Public Schools
Walter Weir, University of Nebraska
Michael Winkle, Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission

No current vacancies.